

Casey Farm

Location: 2325 Boston Neck Road,
Saunderstown, RI, 02874

Share Types: Full shares, single shares, and work shares

Length of Membership 21 weeks, June through October

Products Available: Shares include fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers. Opportunity to purchase other farm's fruit, maple syrup, naturally raised meat and honey. Wide variety of vegetables.

Work Requirement: 8 Hours per year

Pickup Days: Tuesday and Friday

Contact: Mike and Polly Hutchison
(401) 295-1030

Additional Comments: We also have a share fund where members contribute to offset costs for less financially able members. We donate leftover food to local charities.

Rabbit's Dance Farm

Location: 42 Jencks Road, Cumberland, RI, 02864

Share Types: One share size

Length of Membership: 20 weeks; June to October; also winter shares October through December

Products Available: Chemical-free vegetables and herbs with many heirloom and unique varieties

Work Requirement: None, but member participation encouraged

Pickup Days: Mondays 3:30-6:30; Thursdays 2:30-4:30

Contact: Kristin Lewis (401) 658-2457 or
rabbitsdancefarm@yahoo.com

Southside Community Land Trust (SCLT) at Urban Edge Farm

Location: 35 Pippin Orchard Road, Cranston, RI 02910

Share Types: Family shares (10-25 pounds) will feed 4 to 6 people each week. Single shares (7-13 pounds) will feed 2 to 3 people each week.

Length of membership: Applications are due May 15, 2005. 20 weeks of fresh, seasonal produce from June 14th through October 28th. Membership also includes: weekly newsletter with recipes, cooking demonstrations, special events, potlucks and celebrations.

Products available: All grown without chemical fertilizers, herbicides or pesticides. Wide variety of Vegetables, Fruits, Free-range Eggs & Meat, Honey and other local products for sale at pick-up site.

Work requirement: CSA members must fulfill an 8-hour volunteer commitment over the season.

Pickup Days: Tuesdays from 3pm to 7pm at City Farm (129 Providence St. in Providence) or Fridays from 3pm to 7pm at Urban Edge Farm (35 Pippin Orchard Rd. in Cranston)

Contact: Ben Torpey, CSA Manager
Phone: 401-273-9419, extension 25
Fax: 401-273-5712

Email: urbanedgefarm@southsideclt.org

Website:

<http://www.southsideclt.org/urban/agproj.php>

Additional comments: In an effort to make good food available to everyone, CSA prices follow a sliding scale, based on your household's annual income. There are a limited number of shares in each income category. Memberships are on a first-come, first-served basis. Surplus produce is donated to local food shelters and soup kitchens.

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What is Community Supported Agriculture?

Community supported agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between a farm and its customers whereby the CSA members buy shares of the harvest at the beginning of the growing season. This provides the farmer with adequate funds for planting and a guaranteed market for his crops.

The members then receive a weekly or bi-weekly share of the harvest throughout the season. Although the members are assuming the risk of a poor harvest, they usually receive a diversity of produce at below retail cost. Some CSA farms either allow or require their members to work on the farm.



Manic Organic

Location: 2418 East Main Road, Portsmouth, RI, 02871

Share Types: Full and half shares.

Length of membership: 20-22 weeks from June to the end of October.

Products available: vegetables, flowers and honey; Organic vegetable, flower and herb seedlings sold during our spring plant sale

Work requirement: none.

Pickup Days: Wednesday afternoon at the farm and at a location in Newport.

Contact: Nicole Vitello (401) 480-1403;

<http://www.manicorganic.biz/>

Golden Root CSA at Earth Care Farm

Location: 89 Country Dr., Charlestown, RI 02813

Share Types: One share size

Length of Membership: 19 weeks starting in June

Products Available: Wide array of vegetables and herbs and a weekly newsletter with recipes

Work Requirement: Optional

Pickup Days: Tuesdays 9-12 noon or 5-8 pm

Contact: Ryan and Jayne Senecal (401) 364-9818 or goldenrootcsa@aol.com

Ledge Ends Produce

Location: 830 South Rd., East Greenwich, RI 02818

Share Types: One share size

Length of membership: 20 weeks from June to October

Products available: Wide variety of vegetables

Work requirement: Not required but the farm will host work days

Pickup Days: Tuesdays at the Friends Meeting House in Providence and weekly pick-ups at the farm

Contact: Erik Eacker and Trish Garland (401) 884-5118

Wishing Stone Farm

Location: 25 Shaw Rd., Little Compton, RI 02837

Share Types: Full, single, summer and winter shares. Now offering a satellite CSA in Providence featuring a new "come when you wish" debit card system.

Length of Membership: Full share—20 weeks; Summer share—10 weeks; Winter share—6 weeks

Products Available: Organic vegetables and herbs. IPM/biorational or conventional items such as peaches, sweet corn, cut flowers, watermelon and pumpkins are available as an option. Other local farm products are available for purchase—fresh baked breads, farm fresh eggs, pesto, salsa, etc.

Work Requirement: Encouraged but not required

Pickup Days: Tuesday 3-6 at Wickenden St. Farmers Market, corner of Brook St. and George M. Cohan Blvd. just off Wickenden St. Thursday pickup at the farm 3-6 pm

Contact: Skip Paul and Liz Peckham (401) 635-4274

Simmons Farm

Location: 91 Greene Lane, Middletown, RI, 02842

Share Types: Full share; Meat/Cheese/Egg share; Veggie share

Length of membership: 20-22 weeks

Products available: Certified organic eggs, beef/poultry, fresh goat's cheese, full line of vegetables including sweet corn, herbs and flowers

Work requirement: None, but we do have volunteer days

Pickup Days: Tuesday and Thursday 2 pm-6 pm

Contact: Karla Simmons (401) 849-5181

Additional comments: On our farm we have a petting zoo and walking paths, which CSA members will have free access to on pick-up days along with discounts on other farm activities and preference on buying further amounts of pastured beef/pork and poultry.